

## References

- Aspöck, H., Aspöck, U. & Hölzel, H., 1980. *Die Neuropteren Europas*. Krefeld: Goecke & Evers.
- Barbut, J., 1781. *The Genera Insectorum of Linnaeus, exemplified by various specimens of English insects drawn from nature*. London: privately published.
- Doughty, C.G., 1931. Ant-lion in Suffolk. *Transactions of the Suffolk Naturalists' Society*, **1**: 228.
- Hagen, H.A., 1858. Synopsis of the British Planipennes. *Entomologist's Annual*, (1858): 17-33.
- Killington, F.J., 1932. Ant-lion, *Myrmeleon formicarius* Linn. (Neur.) in Britain. *Journal of the Entomological Society of the South of England*, **1**: 22.
- , 1936 & 1937. *A monograph of the British Neuroptera*. 2 vols. London: Ray Society.
- McLachlan, R., 1865. Observations on the habits of the ant-lion (*Myrmeleon formicarius*). *Entomologist's mon. Mag.* **2**: 73-75.
- Mendel, H., 1994. *Euroleon nostras* (Fourcroy). *Trans. Suffolk Naturalists' Society*, **30**: plate 9.
- Morley, C. 1931. Ant-lion in Suffolk. Footnote. *Transactions of the Suffolk Naturalists' Society*, **1**: 228-229.
- , 1932. Ant-lions. A Suffolk capture. *East Anglican Daily Times*, 26th February, 1932.
- Plant, C.W., 1992. Autumn field trip to East Anglia – ant-lion hunting. *Neuro News*, no. 10, pp. 9-10.
- , 1994. *Provisional atlas of the lacewings and allied insects (Neuroptera, Megaloptera, Raphidioptera and Mecoptera) of Britain and Ireland*. Biological Records Centre: Abbots Ripton.
- Stephens, J.F., 1829. *A systematic catalogue of British insects*. London: privately published.
- , 1835. *Illustrations of British entomology. Mandibulata*. Vol. 3. London: Baldwin & Craddock.

---



---

***Malachius aeneus* (L.) (Col.: Melyridae) in Cambs. and elsewhere**

Cambridgeshire is not among the rather numerous counties listed for this attractive species, now much decreased and classed as “rare” (Hyman & Parsons, 1992, *A review of the scarce and threatened Coleoptera of Great Britain*. part 1: 360). It is therefore worth reporting that the late C.E. Tottenham found it profusely at a restricted site within the bounds of Cambridge about 1950 or 51. It was along a hedgerow bordering a field, which he pointed out to me, where the beetle was still common (mostly males) on 25.v.52. This is the sole record for East Anglia that I can find.

Otherwise I have met with *M. aeneus* only singly: Brockenhurst, New Forest, 21.vi.35, a male and Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, 12.vi.40, a female. The site, by the river Lea, was a productive one which I constantly revisited in that and later years without seeing another. I have also a male taken in this district (Shooters Hill, West Kent) by my late friend A.W. Gould in May 1952; it was on an umbel, probably of *Anthriscus*, in a lane bordering the golf-course, where I have often collected in subsequent years. Though unchanged, *M. aeneus* seems unlikely to survive there.— A.A. ALLEN, 49 Montcalm Road, Charlton, London SE7 8QG.